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KARNATAKA*

described in this proverb: "The bullock has calved, say you. Tie it in the shed, says he/" "When God himself was eating rope, his servant prayed for vermicelli," laughs at undue ambition in the service of a master himself not too prosperous. The following proverbs embody general observations. "The banyan has no flower, borrowing has no end." "The son that is given crumbs obeys your wish. The son-in-law that is given sugar and milk stands on the dunghill and barks." "Wisdom placed before the fool is like leaf placed before the goat." He eats it but gets no good from it. "When the king spoke the town shook. When the old man spoke his beard shook." "The goldsmith pierces the ear without hurting." This is popular belief and may have nothing to do with fact. "Does the tenant become bankrupt by birds pecking grain?" "Words are lost when spoken, pearls are lost when broken," preaches that silence is golden. "The buffalo has two horns, pride has eight."

The following proverbs are little stories. The old man heard the word marriage and asked "Is it to me?" A man is willing to marry, however old he may be. "Will the faithless creature sour the milk before she runs away?" She is breaking the great duty of fidelity. Will she observe a small detail of household work? "If you lift the hill on to my head what a distance could I carry it: " refers to the story

of a rogue who duped a King as an
athlete who could
carry a hill if fed for six months.
"The blind
woman's amour is a sleepless night
to the household."
**Bngaged to bear the corpse he
complained the hair
made it heavy/' describes men who
make trouble about